INTRODUCTION AND APOLOGY

Hey guys-- its been awhile. It's been about 2 months now. I know a lot of you are angry, sad, and disappointed and you certainly have the right to be. I did some shitty things and they went unchecked for a long time.

After some very low moments, I'm in a better place now. I've been seeing a really good therapist nearly twice a week, and as per his suggestion taking time away from all social media. I've used this time to distance myself and reflect. Throughout this time I've been staying completely sober and plan to continue to do so. Just in general, though, I am really trying to improve myself as a person, and I honestly feel like I've already made progress, but I know it is not my place to be the judge. I'm taking this all very seriously.

Throughout the entirety of my absence, I've been doing therapy addressing everything that happened. Over the course of that time I learned a lot about myself and my hidden issues. To summarize, I'm very fearful of confrontation and mostly the 'unknown.' I'd often make a mistake and choose to suppress it, rather than confront it. This can cause me to hide things and hurt a lot of people in the process. The thing is, life is full of unknowns and I can't play as a bystander when it comes to the consequences of my actions. I need to increase my comfortability with the unknown. Another thing I learned more about is my desire for intimacy-- not sexual, more like companionship. When I get comfortable with people I often push these boundaries and then when I'm drunk this feeling is amplified. I never mean any harm or have any sort of malicious intent, but I have certainly made people feel uncomfortable.

My actions surrounding Yvonne and Lily fit into those categories and I can't begin to explain how sorry I am for hurting them and ultimately jeopardizing our relationships. The consequences of my actions towards them have been miserable, but appropriate. Everyday I wake up and recall how nice it was being surrounded by loving friends and how stupid I was to let my actions betray their trust. I deserved it though - these actions had to have consequences.

I just wanna say first that this has nothing to with me coming back to streaming. After a tremendous amount of thought and therapy, I'm here to shed some light and give a timeline on my side of things since it has now become a public matter. I have already apologized to Yvonne and Lily privately, and this statement will in no way contradict their stories. Instead, the purpose is to address the individuals that I believe are twisting the truth for their own benefit. For my own health, I can no longer stay silent.

THE PURPOSE

After my time away from everything I decided to watch the streams that were made about me. Watching Poki talk about all the things I've done with little to zero context as to the nature of our relationship hurt me pretty bad. I definitely did some questionable things and broke her trust, but there are some claims she makes about me, Yvonne and I, Just Friends, and herself that are either false, twisting the truth, or misconstrued. I'm going to be addressing these claims as well as giving context to mostly everything that was mentioned on her stream since I feel that is very important and personal to me.

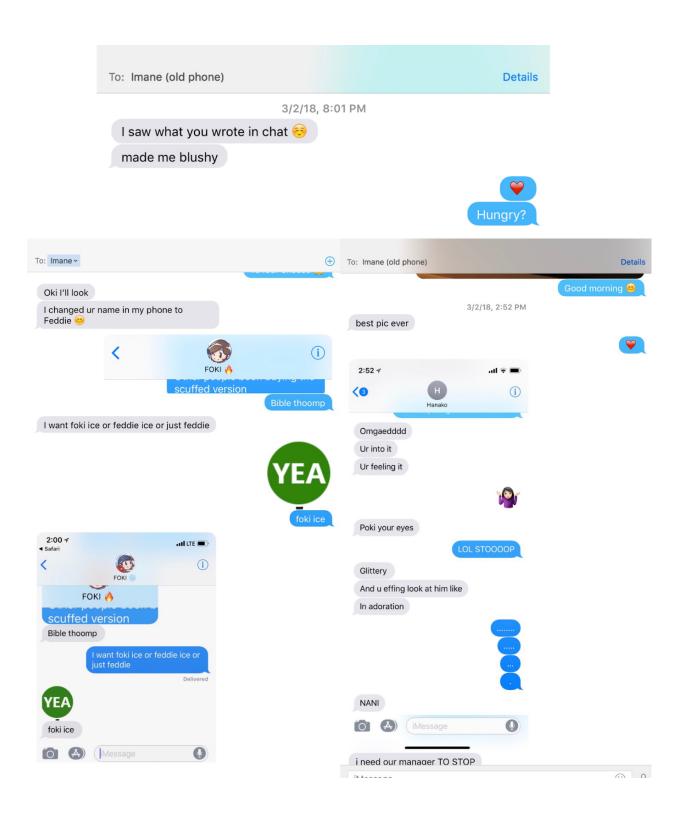
MY RELATIONSHIP WITH POKI

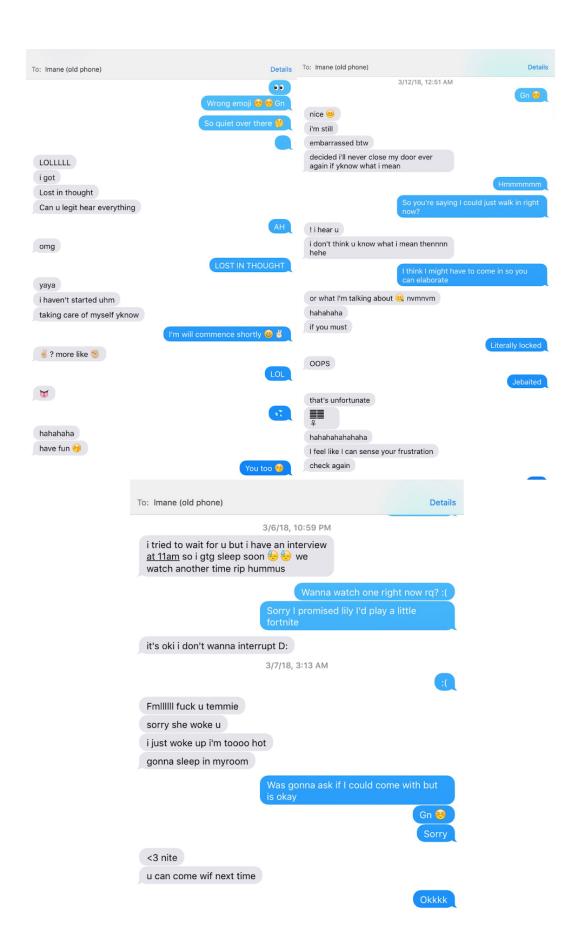
This "FOKI" thing all started as a joke, when I made a picture of me and Poki, my phone background. She had sarcastingly suggested that I do it, and see what kind of reaction from the community we'd get. I laughed and did it anyway just for fun. Obviously the public started to pick up on it more and more. And then this all escalated when the Taiwan trip happened.

During the Taiwan Trip (February 14 2018), Poki and I got really close. A lot of good moments came from that trip. It felt like the honeymoon phase of getting to know someone, and that's what it was. This was the first time we talked and looked at each other differently. We discussed some pretty personal things like work ethic, drive, and dreams. It was really cool. And then on stream we would do our thing; we weren't at all playing it up for content, at least I wasn't.

We came back from Taiwan and that kinda energy between us continued on/off stream. We started to have breakfast/dinner together every day. We became very flirty especially through text, started having occasional sleepovers and just in general were definitely heading in a romantic direction. It was pretty obvious to our friends and roommates something was going on, but no one really asked about it. There was the occasional x roommate walking in without knocking and seeing us cuddling in bed watching Law in Order on my laptop. I would think to myself, "man this is the dream," really connecting with someone that understands the world I'm a part of, and she's super ambitious, hilarious, and meticulous about so many things in her life. She's a very inspiring person. To this day and despite everything, I still hold true to those beliefs. So I tried everything in my power to not fuck it up. (Spoiler, I did)

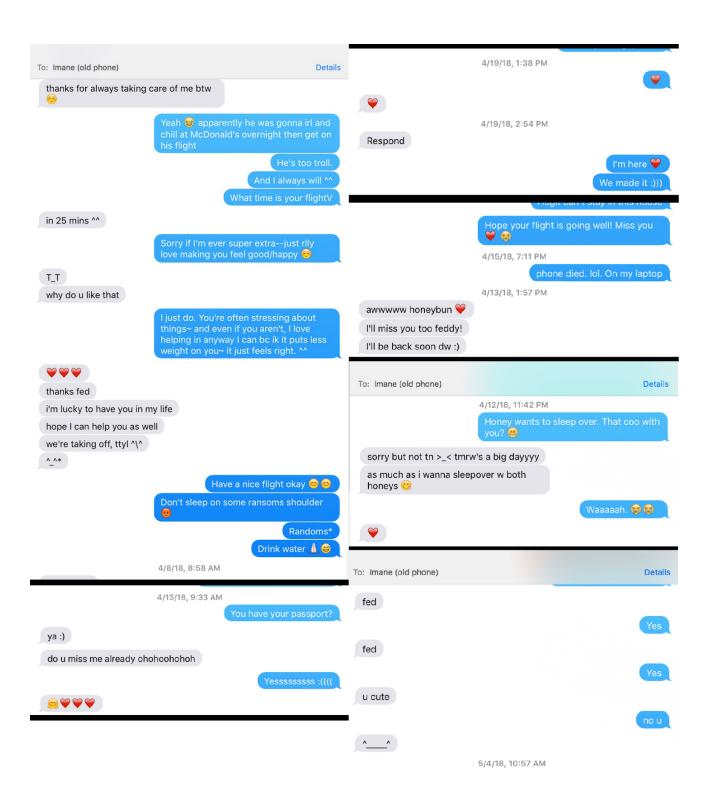
The texts shown throughout are obviously just a small glimpse into our relationship, only chosen to show specific context that was never given. Of course the majority of interactions were in person and a lot were Facetime.





In March 2018 we had an honest discussion about the direction we were heading and she brought up some notable problems: (a) that we live together and could be a problem if things don't work out (b) we are board members/own equity of the company that we 'work for.' This could be a conflict of interest and could get nasty if things didn't work out between us. It was perfectly legal, but it's more of something that could be a future problem. The conclusion we came to was to slow down and not spend as much time together, because things were escalating very fast and if we're going to say 'fuck it, lets just date,' we needed to be sure. Not gonna lie I was a little disappointed, but agreed that we definitely spend way too much time together and it's a little dangerous especially for something that could cause major future issues. Well things changed for maybe a couple days? But we started talking again, except things were slightly toned down.

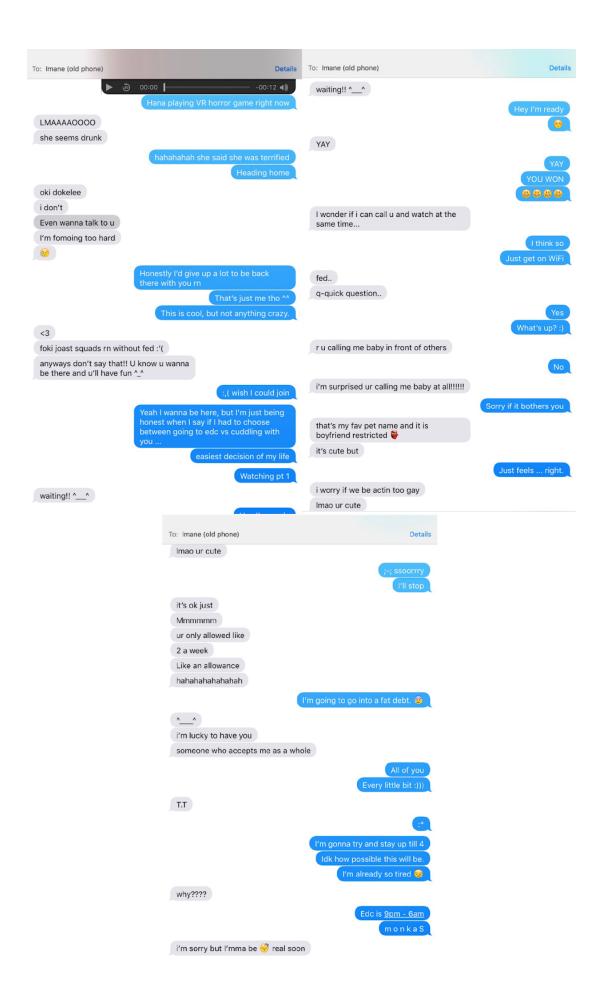
April/May 2018. Pretty much the same as March, except she was traveling a lot. We texted and FaceTimed a lot. She would send me messages like "I mith you" and refer to me as "honeybun <3" or randomly call me cute and we would still have sleepovers—like we're obviously acting couple-y here. And whenever we're apart we FaceTime. I super felt like we were disregarding the conversation we had in March and kinda just going with the flow. Obviously I'm excited about this because by this time, I liked her enough that I wanted to try and be serious/exclusive.

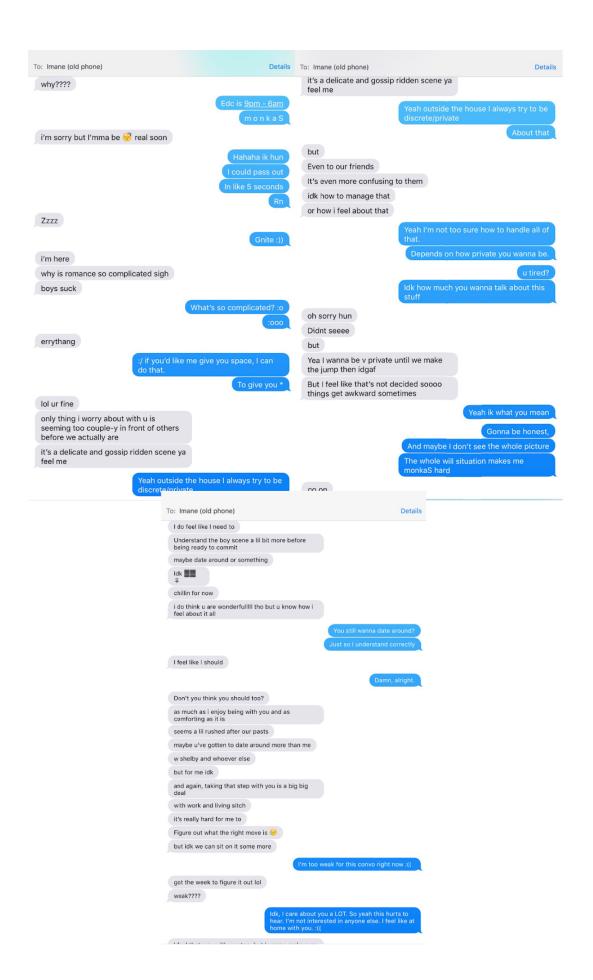


So EDC 2018 (it's a large music festival in May) came around and I was roommates with Josh (this isn't his name, but for anonymity we'll just call him Josh) at our airbnb. Of course it was pretty obvious to him I was texting Poki a lot as well as FaceTiming her. He hadn't said a single thing about it yet, and it certainly already looked like something might have been going on to him, at some point he asked me about us, and I said "uhhhhh there's.... something going on...yah" and he didn't believe it I think, so I asked our manager (me Poki Josh all shared the same manager at the time, and she was well aware of how close me and Poki were)-- I asked her, "you know about me and Poki right?" and she confirmed it (She was also at the EDC house with us). So in my mind, I felt like I was being honest, but it was one of my first major mistakes.

Poki is a very private person, especially with relationship stuff, and I definitely crossed the line here. My answer was ambiguous enough that it was implied that we were dating to a degree. I never thought "hm, is there a correct way to answer this while respecting her privacy?" Nope, I got really excited and blew it. Just so we're on the same page, this wasn't an attempt to 'cockblock' anyone, I thought I was being honest, but it was wrong. In my eyes, this was all I did wrong, break her trust. It was never a manipulation tactic like she claims or anything like that. I was excited about it, over-shared, and broke her trust.

We FaceTimed in the morning the next day, and I inadvertently called her 'babe' while I might've been around people in the AIRBNB. She called me out on using language like that in front of people, saying that she'd be worried about seeming too couple-y in front of others before we actually were, and that we're a part of a delicate and gossip ridden scene. She would say things like, "I feel like I need to understand the boy scene a lil bit more before being ready to commit," and that we should "date around." For me then, this came outta left field and I felt pretty stupid. I was hurt by it this time around, because I wasn't even remotely interested in anyone else, and I was investing so much time and energy into her in general. I was trying to be understanding, but it brought up a lot of insecurities and notions of "not being good enough." For both of us, emotions always made things so complicated... I wish I was better at navigating them earlier. After taking time to understand her concerns, I came around to her unease. She wanted to be sure our feelings were legit and not just there because we were accessible to each other.







By now you can tell there is this cycle of 'talking again' and then 'oh wait, there's a problem.' This cycle continued throughout the years and every time it didn't work out, I think I lost a part of myself. More and more I started to realize, maybe I'm not good enough. The things the cycle did to me were fucked. I became more and more frustrated, I started to become jealous, insecure at times. I would act out sometimes: lock myself in my room all day and stream Pokemon for the entire day to try and avoid her. I would go over to Just Friends (disbanded streamer house) and vent about my frustrations.

Since we're on that subject, in her stream she mentioned I would try to manipulate Just Friends to hate her/not be her friend-- that's unfoundedly slanderous. My intention was always that I wanted a friend to talk to (Lily was probably sick of hearing the same story between us every 3 monthsthanks for always listening to me anyway, Lily). I wanted nothing more than for everyone to be friends with Poki. So let me give a little context here, since that was never provided: Poki always goes to bed at midnight, everynight, without fail. If she doesn't, something is really wrong; and, if she stays up longer she gets crazy (in a funny way). She takes the AM streaming slot as most of you know, so that requires good sleep obviously. Of course, after my stream, I would always seek quality time with her, and that would generally involve dinner and a show. Some nights we would eat downstairs and other nights on her bed. So if I stop the stream at 10 PM, I'd hang with her till midnight. Then I would fuck off and hang out with the rest of the house or in a lot of cases, go to Just Friends. I would primarily vent to one of the girls about everything, she'd always give me a good female's perspective and made me feel like it was gonna be okay. It was in some sense therapeutic. I would rarely talk to the other girls about my issues with Poki, but I sometimes did. It's just nuts to hear now that I was being 'manipulative' and trying to make the girls hate her or leave her out intentionally. That's complete bullshit. I just wanted someone to talk to that could guide me through those emotions. It's also difficult to now hear some of the girls say that they looked at me as "a member of OTV", and not just as a friend, like I looked at them. I understand that although my intentions were innocent, the unintentional side effect is that the Just Friends people might have seen her differently. I am deeply sorry, and I wish I was more aware of those repercussions. I do, however, think intentions matter when you're characterizing someone as a manipulator in front of thousands of people.

If she really was afraid of being alienated, she would have taken the time out of her day to be their friend. She didn't stream everyday. She could have gone over just to hang, like I did so many times on my off days. None of the things I would ever say to Just Friends would ever imply that they shouldn't be friends with her, it was only ever typically 'relationship' issues and "how do I get over her" type of conversations. It's crazy to me that things are being said otherwise. There wasn't

a looming, dark cloud of malice toward her in that house. *This is the truth*: Poki would generally only come over if there was something she could tangibly benefit from in some way (e.g., large streaming events, midnight birthday streams), it's the same reason you never saw her come into people's streams at OTV. And when she wasn't streaming she was also always grinding/practicing whatever game she wanted to get better at for her stream. I don't wanna go into this too deep because I'm not here to attack her character, but it's just the way things were. She had her priorities, we had ours. I'm sure she's gotten better at it now. Midnight hangout sesh at Just Friends? "Lol why?" She applied this kinda philosophy to so many things in her life. It truly disappointed me, because I and people in the house wanted her more in our lives. I get it, she was driven by her business and stream. It's just wild that I'm the scapegoat now for her not wanting to make sacrifices to go over to Just Friends — I don't feel that is at all fair.

I found out pretty early on in my friendship with Poki that she wasn't down to do last minute or after midnight type things. Generally I wouldn't invite her over because she was already in bed. Early on, I had invited her a few times, and she would say things like "no, but have fun" or "too last minute for me thank you though", so after a while I just stopped asking. I was in the dark about her feeling left out until one time she called me out after a few of us went to a late night movie. She and another guy were shut in her room, and I didn't invite them. 1. I didn't want to interrupt and 2. I still felt conflicted about her; I thought if I invited them it would have been awkward for both of us. She got pretty pissed I didn't invite her. Meanwhile, I wasn't at all feeling responsible. I was just trying to get over her. And sometimes meant distancing myself from her.

Let's rewind a little bit to another instance where I fucked up. July 2018. You remember the Josh story? Yup, I do it again. I'm not sure if his name is ever mentioned in the stream Poki made or if he himself made comments on it but for now we'll call this next guy Steve. Anyways, after the texting in May when I was at EDC, we slowed down for a short time but things would eventually start right back up again. By July we were back in our "on" stage and things were going well, and then I noticed she started playing games with Steve a lot. During this Steve era, I definitely noticed she didn't seem as interested in me, but always kept giving me enough attention to still have her in my mind. I felt like a starved guinea pig and my cage was my unconditional feelings for Poki and she would feed me scrapes, just enough to keep me alive. Sorry for the image, but that's how it truly felt. At this point, she was never honest with me about how she was really feeling about us. Anyways, Steve ended up coming to a house party in July, and we chatted, played some beer pong, and got to know each other a little. We dominated the BP tables. I knew she played games on stream with him a lot, but she never once told me she was interested in getting to know him more. This was never an attempt to keep him from her, we were literally stuck playing BP for half the night because we kept winning. Of course, I think I knew he was eventually gonna ask me the question. And low and behold, he did. "So is Poki seeing anyone right now?" AH fuck. You would think I learned the first time huh? Nope. I said, "there's sorta something going on between us..." and then I followed up with "but do your thing." Implying that he should still go for it. I know for a fact I said this, because I almost instantaneously felt bad for saying the first part. (If its not obvious already I do/say a lot of dumb things without thinking first) In Poki's stream, she claims that I told Steve to not tell anyone I said that or talk about it all-- That is 100% FALSE. I know what I said. Anyways, he brought my conflicted message up to her. She was furious that I made it seem like "we were a thing." Again, I felt like I was being honest, things were super complicated between us. But I broke her trust, and spoke for her-So I apologized. He obviously did his thing and still messaged her about it all, so good for him. I can't justify saying what I said, but my emotions were all out of wack and I said a dumb thing. She called

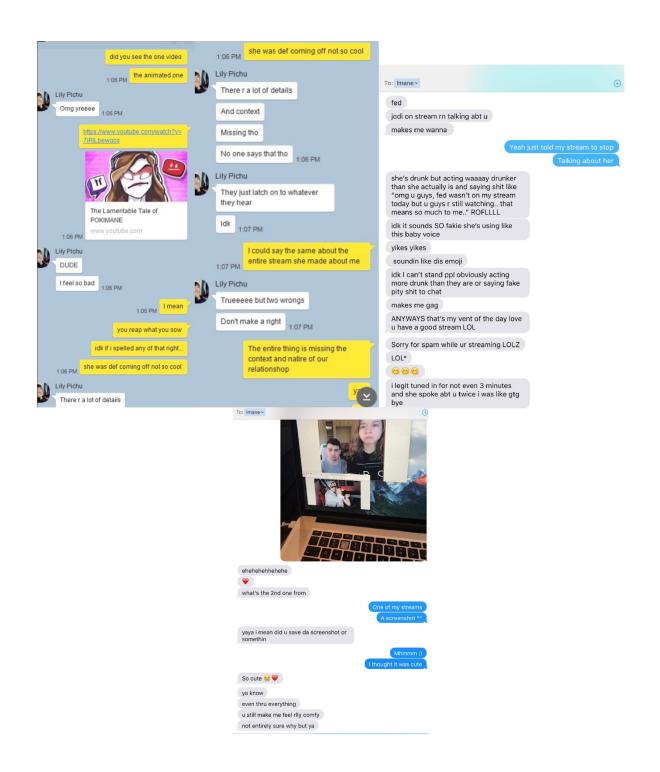
me out on it and I apologized. To her, this put my character into question then and she went around asking others if I had said something similar— so that's how she found out about Josh. But that was it, I never said that to any other guy or person. In her stream she <u>claims</u> that I had told another guy, I know who she is referring to because she texted me the day she did this stream that she reached out to him. I have only spoken to John (we'll just call him that) once ever, and that was in passing at a sponsored Godzilla debut where I went with Poki. The only thing we ever talked about was his vlog equipment and camera— we never once talked about my relationship with Poki. He might've deduced that we could've been seeing each other because we came together and sat next to each other in the movie theater, but I never said a thing about us to him. I'm fine with taking responsibility and accountability for the things I've done— but I want to be judged on the truth, not lies.

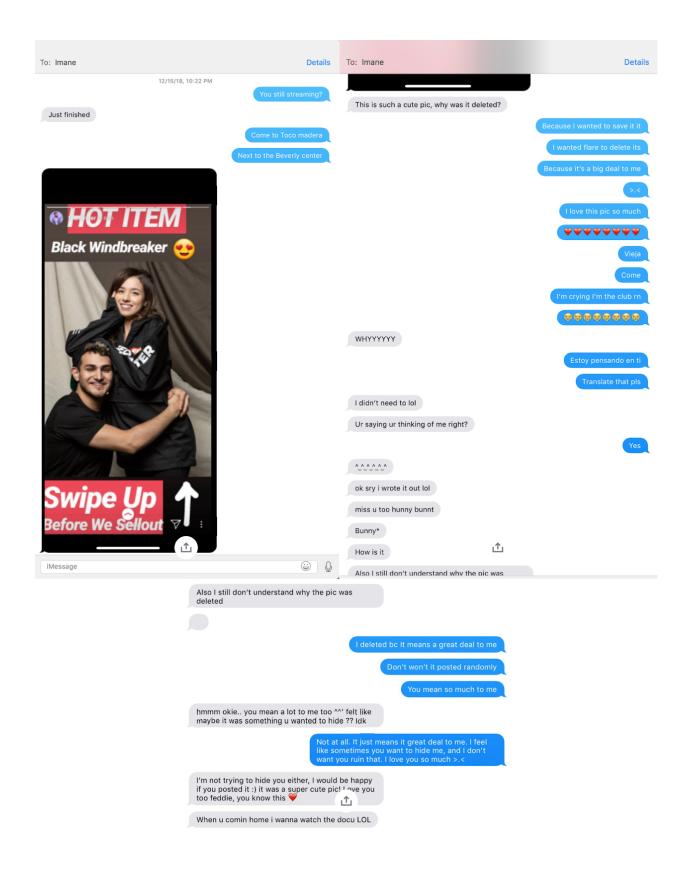
Well now I can kinda tie in everything. Some time passed and Steve and Poki started seeing each other, from what I understood they were never officially dating similar to me. But let me give you guys some perspective how their thing affected me. So he would come over a lot, and Poki and I are neighbors, so (a) hear a lot and (b) wasn't completely over her yet. The emotions I felt, to me, were similar to a bad breakup and seeing someone else with the girl you like... Usually if this happens you mute them on social media, avoid them, out of sight out of mind kinda deal. Well this was happening right next to where I slept and streamed. This had a huge affect on my mental health and streaming mood, and even when I wasn't streaming all I could feel was anxiety. Sleeping was impossible. I could literally feel my manhood fading away as the days went on. So of course, I tried to escape. Where did I go? Yup. Just Friends. It was a hard pill to swallow, but after a while I got used to not seeing her as much in my life and with someone else. He would come over sometimes and she'd go to his place sometimes. I started to move on, thank the fuck. Of course my absence in her life left somewhat of a void because Steve wasn't over at night and she wasn't at his place all the time either. My guess is my absence gave her a lot of FOMO, as I would always show up on Just Friends streams. Like I said before though, if she really wanted to go over to Just Friends and be friends with them she could've just gone over. We lived 10 minutes away.

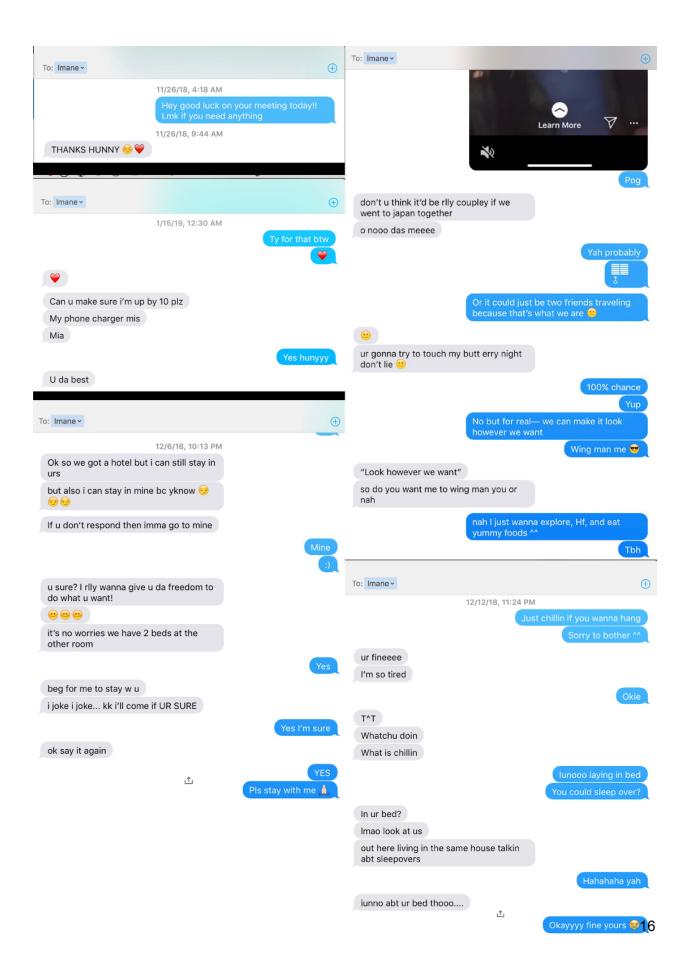
Looking back, I can certainly empathize with her, I could've invited her over more, and when she later brought up to me that she was feeling left out I made it a point to start inviting her more. Although she rarely accepted. So the <u>claim</u> that I was the primary reason she was isolated and that I ruined her chances with a friendship with them is a *dramatic* stretch. I never tried to paint her as an evil person. Why would I? This is someone I genuinely cared for, that doesn't make any sense. I would only ever voice my frustrations about our relationship just like anyone else would in my situation. She claims she wanted to be friends with everyone at Just Friends, but she never made the effort to do so, unless like I said, it was either super convenient to her or she benefited from it somehow. I hate that I have to say that, but she has left me no option.

I just wanna mention that this on and off cycle between us continued throughout the years and when she'd see the possibility of dating or even start talking to someone else she'd start to push me away. When she'd stop seeing/talking to them, she would start coming around my room and wanting to be close once again, and at the time it was very hard for me to resist getting close to her. We'd eventually be back "on" to some degree. The <u>sleepovers would resume</u>, the massages would resume, <u>and the flirting in general would resume</u>. There were times when she would, "get in my head" and <u>act possessive</u>, when she saw me interacting and giving attention to another girl. All these things made me and Pokis relationship very volatile, weird, and strenuous because we live with each other and it wasn't so simple for me to turn off my feelings when things were off. She was very aware

of my feelings for her, but also aware of my pain and how hurt I'd be when she pushed me aside. She never really acknowledged my pain, but I knew it might've bothered her to see me with other girls, so I always tried my best to see them out of the house, something she never considered doing for me. Watching her stream about me now breaks my heart because I had to sit there and watch her lie about the true nature of our relationship to thousands of people when it's obvious to me now she never acknowledged my feelings and cared more about eliciting sympathy from the public while attributing her noble cause as a defence against the backlash Yvonne and Lily were getting. I will say that her speaking up definitely took a lot of heat off Yvonne and Lily and I'm happy about that. For them, I'm okay with taking the hate, but only from where it's deserved.







I NEVER WANTED YVONNE FIRED

In her stream Poki says that I tried to get Yvonne fired because of the incident between us. This is 100% **FALSE**. I never tried to get her fired, I always wanted her a part of OTV. Just for reference, the incident between me and Yvonne was in December of 2018, we were all talking about having her move in with other league streamers in October of 2019 while she continued to work for OTV. Poki claims she hadn't known about the incident between me and Yvonne, but she did. She found out in May/June 2019, 4 months before we all started to discuss Yvonne possibly moving out. I'll go into more details later, but let me give context.

Originally Yvonne moved into the house in mid 2018 to be Poki's personal assistant and the OTV House Manager. Things were good at first, but over time, Poki would complain about Yvonne in private to me about how little effort she's showing her when it comes to helping her. She would call her lazy and not creative-- Poki really wanted someone that could give 110%+ and it was made clear to her that she was doing the bare minimum. She would complain about how much she's playing league or that she's starting to stream. At one point Yvonne made a YouTube channel with 1 video, and this made Poki very concerned to the point where she called her for a private meeting. In that meeting, Yvonne was honest and said she wasn't super interested (also claiming the video on her YouTube channel at the time was just for her personal memories) in being a content creator, but that she wanted the option to do it in her free time. I'm not sure what other details were discussed, but Yvonne stopped posting YouTube videos for a long time. With this, I want to establish that Poki felt Yvonne had work ethic issues, and that Poki brought this to my awareness.

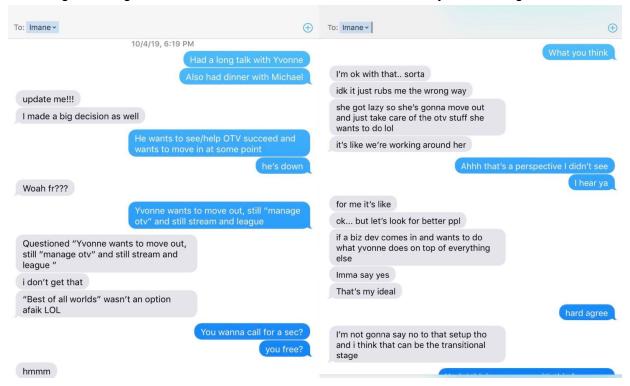
ME WORKING WITH YVONNE

Poki found out about the incident between me and Yvonne somewhere around May/June 2019 as it was something Yvonne brought up to her, I remember being in Poki's room and I was crying trying to explain to her how horrible I felt that I put Yvonne through that and how ashamed I was-- BUT, in her stream where she claims to have not known about any of it is FALSE. Poki also says in her stream that I had told her that "Yvonne won't brainstorm with me and won't work on stuff with me" -- which was true, she didn't seem keen to help and I already knew she had some work ethic issues that were initially brought up to me by Poki the year before. Poki's purpose for bringing this up on her stream was to allude that Yvonne didn't wanna work with me because of what happened between us in December 2018 and that I wanted to fire her because of it, which is FALSE. To be very clear, I never wanted Yvonne fired; at most, I just wanted her to contribute more during this critical period and looking back now, it was unrealistic of me to ask this, given what happened between us. I knew Yvonne had goals to hit masters in league and in general, stream more. I thought this was fine, but I also differed in that I had recently taken initiative and became the manager of the OTV channel-- For those that don't know, Yvonne was hired as house mom/management, she is not one of the 5 talent members of OTV, who at that time was Poki, Toast, Lily, Scarra, and me. We were very close to disbanding, and as a last ditch effort, I quit streaming to focus on OTV content to try and keep us together. That started with attempting to make us more efficient; Just like any leader in a business whose goals are to be successful.

I personally never brought up the idea that Yvonne should get kicked out of OfflineTV, ever.

What I did do is bring up my concerns to people in the house. We all talked extensively about our options and what we can do to motivate her & fix what we currently have and save <u>moving out as a last resort</u>, but still remain in her position as management. I naively thought my relationship with Yvonne was still good. In my head, I had thought we moved on from the incident that happened a year earlier. I hadn't thought about it for months, until she brought it up on Dr. K. I should point out, just because I hadn't thought about it doesn't mean Yvonne hadn't. She said that she had minimized the incident in her mind a lot to protect us and OTV and that was a brave thing that she never should have had to do. The point I'm making is to show that, Poki claiming I tried to get Yvonne fired because of what happened, is wildly inaccurate. I cared very much for my friendship with Yvonne.

Some people in the house and I had really deep personal talks with Yvonne, and we all started to feel a lot better about her staying. She mentioned that it's hard for her to imagine a world without being in the house but also shared her goals to take league and streaming more seriously, and she was very adamant about wanting to help OTV go to the next level, just not with management. As much as I wanted OTV to run as efficiently as possible, it was also equally hard for me to imagine the house without Yvonne-- so naturally I want things to work out. We all started to feel a lot better and she started showing more effort, but we still decided to look for more help because it's something we wanted anyway. If we found someone good, we would have them live in the house and use Yvonne's room. Because she had now started to consider the option of moving in with other league streamers, as she wanted to take her league career more seriously. The idea moving forward was to hire someone to do general manager tasks (we did end up hiring someone but they became me and Yvonne's personal assistant basically), while Yvonne transitioned mostly to developing the OTV Merch and doing small managerial stuff while focusing on her league of legends ambitions, both thing she was very passionate about. I had a meeting with Yvonne and she agreed to moving out but continuing to manage for OTV would work for both her and OTV. Everyone wins, right?



That was the plan, but it didn't come to fruition. After Japan (losing Albert), a lot of things changed and we both, (Yvonne and I) started putting a lot more energy into OTV business. We ultimately forgot about whatever plans we once had when it seemed pointless, she was putting in the work like we had always wanted. So Yvonne moved into the next house with us.

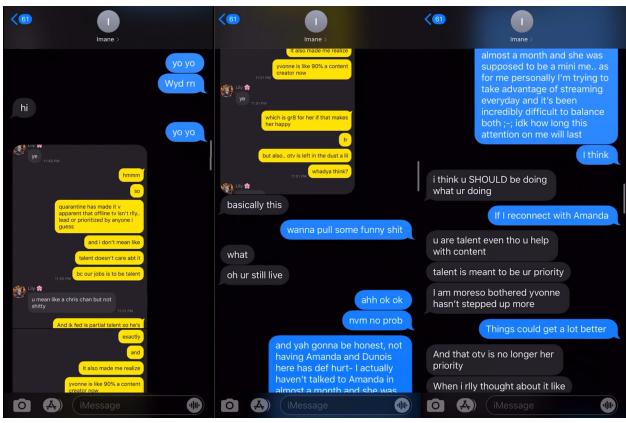
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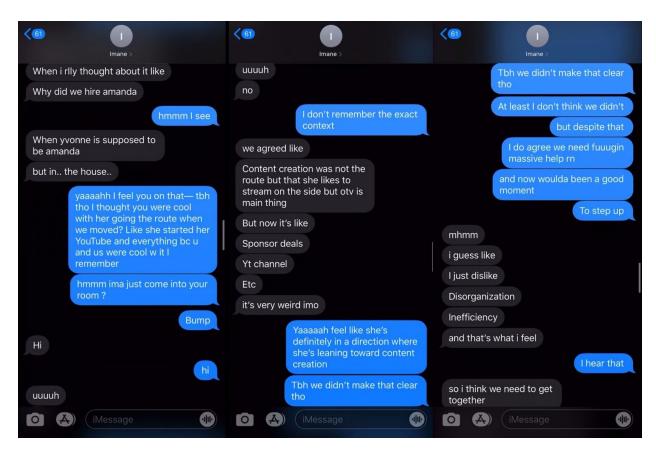
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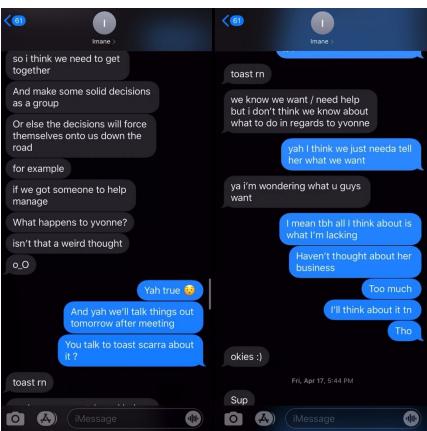
So this is where things get really dicey. We move into the new house, and we have that new remote assistant. She's doing an awesome job and really helping me accelerate projects and run errands for me that I would otherwise not have time to do since I started streaming again. Yvonne, since her primary focus was merch, had a lot of free time. So naturally she started streaming a lot more regularly and making YouTube videos. Something she really wanted to do. I was happy we found a middle ground for her, truly.

Some months pass and I get a text from Poki with screenshots of her conversation with Lily where she brings up her concerns about Yvonne becoming a content creator. I responded by saying I thought we were cool with her going the content creator route. She responds with, "no." She started complaining that she was getting sponsor deals, posting a lot on her YouTube, etc. She said "it's very weird imo." To me it was obvious Yvonne wanted to go down the content creator route, and it'd been that way for months. While I did agree, it would've been a good moment to step up, we never made any of those desires clear to her. Poki suggested getting together and making a decision as a group. She first brought this up to Lily, then me, and finally Toast. She went as far as to suggest the idea that if we got a full time house manager that as a result Yvonne would be kicked. I show these dms because they further show that I had no interest in seeing Yvonne fired. If I truly wanted her out, I wouldn't go as far to defend the decision, we had both agreed on 6 months earlier.









CONCLUSION OF POKIS STREAM

I want to make it clear, I spent months debating on whether or not to release this because I know how much pain it might cause everyone involved. I know this will in no way clear my name, but It's been hard to sleep at night when I know there is so much misinformation and spiteful narratives against me out there that were carried out by people I once considered family. I know I'm an imperfect person who has made mistakes but <u>never have I ever wanted to intentionally hurt anyone</u>. I'm working on growing and becoming more aware of my actions with goals to be a person I could never have been before all this.

Overall though, it's clear to me that she used her stream and Yvonne and Lilys statement, to cover up her own insecurities and failures about not making enough effort to make or maintain friendships. As I look through all of the streams that were made about me (not including Yvonnes and Lilys), it's abundantly evident that she was at the center of collecting information about me, and passing that info onto our friends, with little care for accuracy or truth. So she could help them twist and align their stories with the narrative she's trying to fabricate. It appears she has some resentment over what me and her had. I also wanna mention that on stream she was pretty supportive about me getting help and changing. Yet, a month later I posted a photo on instagram captioning it "I'm working on myself", one hour later she unfollowed me off all social media. And two hours later she posted this tweet with comments taken straight from my post. It seems she is less interested in seeing me change, and more interested in seeing me canceled.

THE INTERVENTION AFTERMATH

I just want to quickly mention all the steps I took after the intervention. As a house, they agreed that they didn't want to see me burn and that I was going to release my own statement with everyone's approval. When the intervention happened I took it all very seriously, I was so sorry and remorseful. I went back to my room feeling lost, scared, alone, and in complete shock. I called 3 people and told them what everyone at the intervention had told me and what I was going to do moving forward. I would say things like, I'm obviously going to get help and step down from OTV projects, and that I'm going to need a new place to stay-- things that were on my mind and that I had to think about. Some of them felt bad for me, one of them thought it was all ridiculous, but it was never my intention to have them feel that way towards my actions. I called them because I didn't know who else to call and wanted someone to tell me I was going to be okay. I guess word got out of these calls and people at the intervention saw it as me trying to defend myself or not giving them the full picture. This was never the case or intention, ever. I was only ever looking for comfort and they gave me that. From what I can tell, they deduced from those calls that I wasn't trying to change or taking things seriously. It hurts to know how quickly they came to this conclusion knowing full well the gravity of the situation and how little effort there was to talk directly to me. All the while, I was writing my statement, I had 6 or 7 drafts, going back and forth with OTV. I scheduled therapy and I told them about it. I also temporarily left the house to stay at my brother's place so Yvonne would feel more comfortable. From what I understood the more they talked to the people I had called the more they began to think that I wasn't changing and only cared about my image. About 3 days later, as I'm preparing my 7th draft statement, I get a message from OTV that Yvonne is going to release her own statement in 15 minutes. My own statement was now deemed worthless and I had 15 minutes to chalk up a tweet response to her statement. It's really sad looking back now, I really wanted to work on a statement everyone was good with, but because to them it looked like I was trying to

defend myself, not giving the full picture, and not taking things seriously, based on other people's phone calls, it all came down like this. A really bad game of telephone.

END

Overall, it's clear Poki and I had a very volatile relationship and I'm certainly guilty of being inconsiderate, oversharing, and breaking her trust, but I hope that this new information sheds a light on my side of things and gives a lot of much needed context that wasn't initially provided. Never at any point was I trying to be manipulative or keep Poki from making friends. I never wanted Yvonne fired. It horrifies me for how much and for how long misinformation about me and my character have been out there. Like I said, there are some issues I'm working on and I feel I've already made a lot of progress. I only hope that one day I can be the man I could've never been before all of this.

I really wish I didn't have to show texts/DMs, as this is something I'm <u>profoundly against</u>, but this was an important person in my life for years and for her to manipulate the narrative the way she did to the public, leaves me no choice because I am NOT the person she described.

TL:DR

I want to defend myself where possible; just giving context to things I felt were necessary for my peace.

I'm sober and in therapy, I have learned a lot about myself and my issues, I'm working very hard to address what causes these issues.

My relationship with Poki was a lot more complicated than "we were just close"

I didn't try to manipulate our friends to get them to hate Poki.

Poki's relationship with Just Friends was professional, and she used me as a scapegoat for not forming friendships with them. She isolated herself from them.

I told some people we had a thing, and I felt I was being honest; however, it was wrong because I broke her trust and privacy.

I never tried to get Yvonne fired because of the incident between us, but Poki later does for other reasons.

I also want to add, I've made similar statements for others (Not Yvonne or Lily), and these statements include apologies but also dispute some claims they made in their streams, while offering explanations from my point of view. Currently I have not decided whether or not to post them.

Small Personal Update:

I'm not going to sugarcoat it, the last few months have been some of the most dark, challenging, and loneliest periods of my life. The silver lining is there's been new found appreciation for all the small things in life that I previously brushed under the rug. As for my future endeavors, I don't plan to return to streaming/content related projects until I'm someone that I know I can be proud of-- and this will take time. If there's one thing I've learned throughout all this, is that talking through your emotions is very powerful. I urge everyone reading not to bottle things up, don't be afraid to seek help/therapy. With patience, and effort it can change your life and perspective for the better.